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1.0 Policy/Procedure

Excessive noise levels may exist when operating certain equipment or machinery. Exposure to high noise levels could result in a gradual loss of hearing which may not be noticeable to the individual.

If noise levels exceed safe limits as prescribed by NC-OSHA, employees must be protected by either engineering control or by a hearing conservation program which includes hearing protection (ear plugs or ear muffs) and appropriate hearing tests.

If an employee suspects they are exposed to high noise levels in the workplace, they should contact their supervisor so that the noise level can be measured by trained individuals.